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VIOLATORS OF FEDERAL BIRD LAW SENT TO JAIL

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Pleading guilty before Federal Judge Benjamin Dawkins at Lake Charles, La., on January 23 to hunting geese after dark and with unplugged shotguns contrary to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, A. L (Doots) Fairchild and George Huffman of Sabine Pass, Tex., were each sentenced to serve one year in jail.

These men, says the U. S. Biological Survey, were arrested on December 9, 1938, on the Sabine Marshes in Cameron Parish, La., by two United States Game Management Agents operating with two State Conservation Agents.

When told to submit to arrest, one of the men, according to Biological Survey records, called to the officers to stop where they were, saying that he would kill them if they took another step. The records also show both hunters had their guns trained on the officers at the time.

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